How to Remove Scratches from Your Car

This guide will show you how to successfully remove scratches from your car.

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TOOLS:

- Orbital Buffer (1)
- Sanding Block (1)

PARTS:

- Shoe Polish (1)
- Rubbing Compound (1)
- Sandpaper (1)

Step 1 — How to Remove Scratches from Your Car



- Shoe polish can be used to visualize the scratches. Rub a small amount of dark shoe polish over the scratch.

Step 2



- Wipe the shoe polish over the panel. This fills the scratches with polish.

Step 3



- Block sand the panel with 2000-grit wet/dry sandpaper and plenty of water. Sand until the shoe polish disappears.

Step 4



- Polish out the sanding scratches with rubbing compound.

Step 5



- A polishing wheel makes short work of bringing the shine back. An oscillating polisher is less aggressive than this rotary polisher.
- ⚠ Don't buff through the paint into the next layer, especially on high-crown or sharp edges.

Step 6



- Finish with light hand buffing to remove the last of the compound. Follow with car wax.

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